GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2405
ANSWERED ON:13.03.2001
INTIMATION REGARDING CUSTODIAL DEATHS
JAYABEN B. THAKKAR

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether in a letter to Home Secretary, National Human Rights Commission stated that in respect of intimation of custodial deaths to the Commission, it is found that there is a considerable delay in sending the post-mortem report alongwith the videography and magisterial inquest report to the Commission within two months; and

(b) if so, the reaction of the Government thereto?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (CH. VIDYASAGAR RAO)

(a) & (b): The National Human Rights Commission (NHRC) has, through a letter dated 3rd January, 2001, written to the Home Secretaries of the State Governments and Union Territories to streamline the procedure for avoiding delay in sending the post-mortem and magisterial inquiry report alongwith videography, within the prescribed time limit in the case of custodial deaths. It is for the State Governments to take necessary action on the above letter of the NHRC.